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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I choose to use a local Internet service provider because I know the owners and trust the way they treat my privacy. Allowing the big telecom corporations to prohibit access to the copper lines that serve my home will reduce my choices and kill off a small but thriving local business. The FCC has a duty to encourage competition, not limit it. I urge you not to grant veto power to the incumbent telecoms that inherited the copper infrastructure that was built and paid for by many people and companies who came before them.

Thanks for your consideration.

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